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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YOUNG-BIN IM *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/934,689

Examiner: ROY, SIKHA

Filed: 23 August 2001

Art Unit: 2879

For: MASK FOR COLOR CATHODE RAY TUBE HAVING BENEFICIAL SLOT AND BRIDGE CONFIGURATIONS, MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, AND EXPOSURE MASK FOR MANUFACTURING THE MASK (as amended)

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions from the Examiner's failure to indicate acceptance (entry) of corrected formal Figures 6 and 8 filed on 2 September 2003, and as reasons therefore states that:

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STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. In the Drawing section on page 3 of the Office action mailed on 4 June 2003 (Paper No. 6), the Examiner objected to Figures 6 and 8 for alleged informalities.
2. In the Objection to the Drawings section on pages 21-22 of Applicant's Amendment filed on 2 September 2003, which was submitted in response to Paper No. 6, Applicant requested withdrawal of the objection to the drawings and submitted corrected formal Figures 6 and 8 which incorporated the drawing corrections proposed in the Amendment filed on 2 September 2003 so as to overcome the Examiner's objection to Figures 6 and 8.
3. In the final Office action mailed on 28 November 2003 (Paper No. 1103), the Examiner is silent as to the filing, receipt, and/or acceptance of corrected formal Figures 6 and 8.

REMARKS

Please note that lack of indication by the Examiner of acceptance (entry) of corrected formal drawings filed during the prosecution often results in erroneous indication of a requirement for submission of substitute formal drawings at the end of the prosecution in a Notice of Allowability. This imposes a burden on Applicant because Applicant has to either prepare and file a Petition to request withdrawal of that requirement, or prepare and submit a duplicate copy of the previously filed corrected formal drawings.

RELIEF REQUESTED

In view of the foregoing, the Commissioner is respectfully requested to direct the Examiner to:

- A. Indicate, in writing, acceptance (entry) of corrected formal Figures 6 and 8 filed on 2 September 2003; and
- B. Grant such other and further relief as justice may require.

Respectfully submitted,



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